

Planning Information Packet

Contra Costa County

2004

EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
LABOR MARKET INFORMATION DIVISION

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Introduction to Social and Economic Data Tables

The data for the Social and Economic Data Tables were developed from a variety of sources to aid local organizations in identifying target group needs and in making appropriate resource allocations for employment and training activities.

Terms expressed in these tables are those commonly used by the U.S. Department of Commerce, the Bureau of the Census, and the various state agencies that supplied the data. (The specified source of the data is noted at the bottom of each table or in the footnotes accompanying each table.)

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www.calmis.ca.gov

TABLE 1
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS BY PROGRAM
2001 - 2003
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Recipients by Program	July			CALIFORNIA
	2001	2002	2003	July 2003
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility To Kids (CalWORKs) (a)	20,448	18,619	18,110	1,144,967
Adults	4,822	3,737	3,691	237,450
Children	15,626	14,882	14,419	907,517
Food Stamps (b)	19,422	19,392	N/A	1,679,508
General Relief (c)	513	446	443	98,020
Refugee Cash Assistance (d)	15	14	0	1,064
Welfare to Work (e)	3,345	2,905	2,219	218,753

Source: California Department of Social Services

To access detailed reports for county comparisons, visit the California Department of Social Services Internet address at: <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>

CalWORKs: see report CA 237; Food Stamps: see report DFA 256;

General Relief: see report GR 237; Welfare to Work: see reports WTW 25 and WTW 25A.

(a) Data include foster care children.

(b) Includes those persons receiving public assistance payments and those not receiving public assistance payments.

(c) General Relief data for July 2001 were not available. Data provided are for March 2001.

(d) Refugee Cash Assistance data are for the third quarter and exclude CalWORKs recipients.

(e) With the passage of the Federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996 and California's subsequent implementation of the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act (CalWORKs), the requirement for recipients of aid to participate in work related activities increased significantly. This number represents the number of CalWORKs recipients who have been enrolled or have been sent a notice to participate in Welfare to Work activities. These individuals may be required to participate or be willing to participate in these activities.

N/A Not available

TABLE 2
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS (CalWORKs)
CHARACTERISTICS OF RECIPIENTS 16 YEARS AND OLDER
2001 - 2003
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Characteristics	July			CALIFORNIA
	2001	2002	2003	July 2003
Total Recipients 16+ (a) (b)	7,080	6,450	6,270	396,530
Male	1,360	1,240	1,200	75,920
Female	5,730	5,220	5,070	320,730
16-20.	1,490	1,360	1,320	83,660
21-44	5,050	4,600	4,470	282,610
45-54	430	390	380	24,200
55+	110	100	100	6,190
White (Not Hispanic)	2,230	1,970	1,860	99,790
Black (Not Hispanic)	3,140	2,890	2,770	83,640
Hispanic	1,200	1,110	1,200	182,280
Asian & Pacific Islander	430	400	360	25,030
American Indian	20	10	20	2,920
Filipino	60	60	70	2,880

(CalWORKs) California Work Opportunity And Responsibility To Kids

Source: California Department of Social Services; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; Detailed data by sex, age, and race/ethnicity are extrapolations based on aggregate figures provided by the Department of Social Services.

To access the detailed report for county comparisons, visit the California Department of Social Services Internet address at: <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>
See report ABCD 350.

(a) Includes children in Two Parent, Zero Parent, All Others and Foster Care cases.

(b) Detail may not add to total due to independent rounding.

TABLE 3
Occupations With The Greatest Absolute Job Growth (1)
2001 - 2008
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

SOC Code	Occupation	Annual Averages		Number Of New Jobs	Percent Change	Mean Annual Wage	Median Hourly Wage (3)
		2001(2)	2008				
41-2011	Cashiers	9,430	11,170	1,740	18.5	\$21,448	\$8.84
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	10,810	12,520	1,710	15.8	\$25,648	\$9.75
35-3021	Comb Food Prep & Serving Wrks, Incl Fast Food	6,220	7,920	1,700	27.3	\$17,210	\$7.48
43-4051	Customer Service Representatives	5,860	7,500	1,640	28	\$34,428	\$15.72
29-1111	Registered Nurses	4,990	6,280	1,290	25.9	\$74,496	\$35.83
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	8,140	9,320	1,180	14.5	\$29,309	\$13.67
47-2031	Carpenters	5,630	6,700	1,070	19	\$49,704	\$23.21
11-1021	General & Operations Managers	6,030	6,930	900	14.9	\$106,684	\$43.87
47-2061	Construction Laborers	4,040	4,900	860	21.3	\$46,055	\$23.41
25-9041	Teacher Assistants	3,710	4,540	830	22.4	\$23,030	(4)
31-1012	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	3,070	3,880	810	26.4	\$26,211	\$12.41
25-2021	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Ed	5,140	5,940	800	15.6	\$48,915	(4)
37-2011	Janitors & Clean, Ex Maids & Housekeep Cleaners	4,630	5,410	780	16.8	\$24,843	\$11.06
35-3031	Waiters & Waitresses	3,710	4,460	750	20.2	\$17,338	\$7.57
15-1031	Computer Software Engineers, Applications	1,920	2,610	690	35.9	\$87,909	\$41.04
37-3011	Landscaping & Groundskeeping Workers	3,220	3,890	670	20.8	\$28,488	\$12.07
53-7062	Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	4,680	5,310	630	13.5	\$25,282	\$11.05
43-4171	Receptionists & Information Clerks	3,320	3,910	590	17.8	\$26,957	\$12.91
49-3023	Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	3,290	3,880	590	17.9	\$36,385	\$15.41
33-9032	Security Guards	3,040	3,610	570	18.8	\$23,698	\$10.65

Source: Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division,
Information Services Group and Occupational Employment Statistics Group

(1) Occupational Projections and OES Wages available online at www.calmis.ca.gov

(2) March 2001 Benchmark

(3) Median Hourly Wage is for the Oakland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), which includes Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

(4) For some occupations, workers may not work full-time all year-round. For these occupations it is not feasible to calculate an hourly wage.

TABLE 4
LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL (LLSIL)
AND POVERTY GUIDELINES
2003

Table 1 — San Diego Metropolitan Statistical Area							
San Diego							
	Family Size						
	One Member	Two Member	Three Member	Four Member	Five Member	Six Member	Each Additional Member Add
70% LLSIL (a)							
Annual	\$8,780	\$14,390	\$19,750	\$24,380	\$28,770	\$33,650	\$4,880
6 Months	\$4,390	\$7,195	\$9,875	\$12,190	\$14,385	\$16,825	\$2,440
100%	\$12,540	\$20,550	\$28,210	\$34,820	\$41,090	\$48,060	\$6,970
Poverty Guidelines (a)							
Annual	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$3,140
6 Months	\$4,490	\$6,060	\$7,630	\$9,200	\$10,770	\$12,340	\$1,570

Table 2 — Los Angeles/Riverside/Orange County Metropolitan Statistical Area							
Anaheim	Los Angeles County			San Bernardino County			
Carson/Lomita/Torrance	Orange County			SELACO			
Foothill	Riverside County			South Bay			
Long Beach	Santa Ana			Ventura			
Los Angeles City	San Bernardino City			Verdugo			
	Family Size						
	One Member	Two Member	Three Member	Four Member	Five Member	Six Member	Each Additional Member Add
70% LLSIL (a)							
Annual	\$8,120	\$13,310	\$18,270	\$22,550	\$26,610	\$31,120	\$4,510
6 Months	\$4,060	\$6,655	\$9,135	\$11,275	\$13,305	\$15,560	\$2,255
100%	\$11,600	\$19,010	\$26,100	\$32,210	\$38,010	\$44,450	\$6,440
Poverty Guidelines (a)							
Annual	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$3,140
6 Months	\$4,490	\$6,060	\$7,630	\$9,200	\$10,770	\$12,340	\$1,570

TABLE 4
LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL (LLSIL)
AND POVERTY GUIDELINES
2003

Table 3 — San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Metropolitan Statistical Area							
Alameda		Oakland			Santa Cruz		
Contra Costa		Richmond			Solano		
Marin		San Francisco			Sonoma		
Napa		San Jose					
NOVA		San Mateo					
	Family Size						
	One Member	Two Member	Three Member	Four Member	Five Member	Six Member	Each Additional Member Add
70% LLSIL (a)							
Annual	\$8,680	\$14,230	\$19,530	\$24,110	\$28,450	\$33,280	\$4,830
6 Months	\$4,340	\$7,115	\$9,765	\$12,055	\$14,225	\$16,640	\$2,415
100%	\$12,400	\$20,320	\$27,900	\$34,440	\$40,640	\$47,530	\$6,890
Poverty Guidelines (a)							
Annual	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$3,140
6 Months	\$4,490	\$6,060	\$7,630	\$9,200	\$10,770	\$12,340	\$1,570

Table 4 — Other Metropolitan Areas							
Fresno		NoRTEC			Stanislaus		
Golden Sierra		North Central			Tulare		
Kern/Inyo/Mono		Sacramento			Yolo		
Merced		San Joaquin					
Monterey		Santa Barbara					
	Family Size						
	One Member	Two Member	Three Member	Four Member	Five Member	Six Member	Each Additional Member Add
70% LLSIL (a)							
Annual	\$7,980	\$13,070	\$17,950	\$22,150	\$26,140	\$30,570	\$4,430
6 Months	\$3,990	\$6,535	\$8,975	\$11,075	\$13,070	\$15,285	\$2,215
100%	\$11,400	\$18,680	\$25,640	\$31,650	\$37,350	\$43,680	\$6,330
Poverty Guidelines (a)							
Annual	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$3,140
6 Months	\$4,490	\$6,060	\$7,630	\$9,200	\$10,770	\$12,340	\$1,570

TABLE 4
LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL (LLSIL)
AND POVERTY GUIDELINES
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Table 5 — Nonmetropolitan Areas

Humboldt		Mother Lode					
Imperial		San Benito					
Kings		San Luis Obispo					
Madera							
Mendocino							
	Family Size						
	One Member	Two Member	Three Member	Four Member	Five Member	Six Member	Each Additional Member Add
70% LLSIL (a)							
Annual	\$7,710	\$12,630	\$17,330	\$21,390	\$25,250	\$29,520	\$4,270
6 Months	\$3,855	\$6,315	\$8,665	\$10,695	\$12,625	\$14,760	\$2,135
100%	\$11,000	\$18,030	\$24,750	\$30,550	\$36,050	\$42,160	\$6,110
Poverty Guidelines (a)							
Annual	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$3,140
6 Months	\$4,490	\$6,060	\$7,630	\$9,200	\$10,770	\$12,340	\$1,570

Source: State of California, Workforce Investment Division, Workforce Investment Act Directive,
Number: WIAD03-1, Dated July 1, 2003

(a) Tables 1 through 5 show the 70 percent LLSIL and the poverty guidelines for western metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas, and for three specific Metropolitan Statistical Areas in California. In addition, each LLSIL table includes the 100 percent LLSIL that establishes the Department of Labor's minimum self-sufficiency levels. Each table specifies which areas encompass which Local Workforce Investment Area (LWIA). For a family of one, in all tables, the poverty guidelines exceed the 70 percent LLSIL and, therefore, should be used to establish the low-income status. For all other family sizes, the LLSILs exceed the poverty guidelines. The last column in each table shows the amount to be added to the figure for a family of six for each additional family member.

TABLE 5
Workforce Investment Act
Planning Information for Local Workforce Investment Areas

LWIA NAME: Contra Costa County
JURISDICTIONS INCLUDED: Contra Costa County (Total all county)

	2000 CENSUS								
	Characteristics of Economically Disadvantaged Persons ¹								
	Total	0 to 13	14 and 15	16 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 72	73 and older
Total Persons	948,815	197,570	26,795	69,450	29,360	434,715	84,020	44,375	62,530
Poverty Universe ²	938,310	194,110	26,385	67,720	29,000	433,370	83,760	44,020	59,950
Persons below Poverty ³	71,575	19,980	2,535	7,850	3,675	27,425	3,885	2,055	4,170
Percent Persons in Poverty	7.6%	10.3%	9.6%	11.6%	12.7%	6.3%	4.6%	4.7%	7.0%
Persons in Poverty, excluding Military and College ^{3,4}	68,675	19,980	2,535	6,965	3,105	26,080	3,835	2,010	4,160
Persons below 70% of LLSIL ⁵	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL ^{3,5}	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL, excluding Military and College ^{3,4,5}	93,220	30,320	3,625	9,655	4,010	32,570	4,600	2,700	5,735
Persons in the Civilian Labor Force ⁶	474,035	n/a	n/a	37,100	22,465	346,955	52,300	10,065	5,150

Characteristics of Various Potential Client Groups

January 16, 2004

Labor Force Status⁷
Employment 503,800
Unemployment 29,000
Unemployment Rate[†]
Not in Labor Force⁸ 226,900
Parole Adults (under local jurisdiction)⁹ 5,799

2003 Veteran Information
Total Veterans¹⁰ 73,625
Male 69,077
Female 4,549
Veterans Receiving Compensation and Pension Benefits¹¹ 5,889

* At the time of publication, data for these fields was unavailable. An updated table will be distributed upon receipt of data.
† Not available.
n/a Persons counted as part of the Civilian Labor Force must be at least 16 years old.

TABLE 5
Workforce Investment Act
Planning Information for Local Workforce Investment Areas

LWIA NAME: Contra Costa County
 JURISDICTIONS INCLUDED: Contra Costa County (Less Richmond City)

	2000 CENSUS								
	Characteristics of Economically Disadvantaged Persons ¹								
	Total	0 to 13	14 and 15	16 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 72	73 and older
Total Persons	849,100	175,285	24,370	61,480	24,985	389,735	75,950	40,160	57,135
Poverty Universe ²	840,230	172,460	24,005	59,875	24,685	388,930	75,745	39,850	54,690
Persons below Poverty ³	55,700	14,825	2,020	6,255	2,850	21,480	3,165	1,630	3,485
Percent Persons in Poverty	6.6%	8.6%	8.4%	10.4%	11.5%	5.5%	4.2%	4.1%	6.4%
Persons in Poverty, excluding Military and College ^{3,4}	53,325	14,825	2,020	5,495	2,435	20,355	3,120	1,595	3,475
Persons below 70% of LLSIL ⁵	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL ^{3,5}	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL, excluding Military and College ^{3,4,5}	72,585	22,865	2,905	7,705	3,060	25,190	3,735	2,210	4,910
Persons in the Civilian Labor Force ⁶	427,675	n/a	n/a	33,100	19,245	313,805	47,660	9,035	4,830

Characteristics of Various Potential Client Groups

January 16, 2004

Labor Force Status ⁷	
Employment	455,700
Unemployment	23,500
Unemployment Rate	4.9%
Not in Labor Force ⁸	204,200

Parole Adults (under local jurisdiction)⁹

4,755

2003 Veteran Information - Contra Costa County (Total all county)

Total Veterans ¹⁰	73,625
Male	69,077
Female	4,549
Veterans Receiving Compensation and Pension Benefits ¹¹	5,889

* At the time of publication, data for these fields was unavailable. An updated table will be distributed upon receipt of data.
 n/a Persons counted as part of the Civilian Labor Force must be at least 16 years old.

TABLE 5
Workforce Investment Act
Planning Information for Local Workforce Investment Areas

LWIA NAME: City of Richmond
JURISDICTIONS INCLUDED: Richmond City

	2000 CENSUS								
	Characteristics of Economically Disadvantaged Persons ¹								
	Total	0 to 13	14 and 15	16 to 21	22 to 24	25 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 72	73 and older
Total Persons	99,715	22,285	2,425	7,970	4,375	44,980	8,070	4,215	5,395
Poverty Universe ²	98,080	21,650	2,380	7,845	4,315	44,440	8,015	4,170	5,260
Persons below Poverty ³	15,875	5,155	515	1,595	825	5,945	720	425	685
Percent Persons in Poverty	16.2%	23.8%	21.6%	20.3%	19.1%	13.4%	9.0%	10.2%	13.0%
Persons in Poverty, excluding Military and College ^{3,4}	15,350	5,155	515	1,470	670	5,725	715	415	685
Persons below 70% of LLSIL ⁵	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL ^{3,5}	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Persons below Poverty or 70% of LLSIL, excluding Military and College ^{3,4,5}	20,635	7,455	720	1,950	950	7,380	865	490	825
Persons in the Civilian Labor Force ⁶	46,360	n/a	n/a	4,000	3,220	33,150	4,640	1,030	320

Characteristics of Various Potential Client Groups

January 16, 2004

Labor Force Status⁷

Employment	48,100
Unemployment	5,500
Unemployment Rate	10.3%
Not in Labor Force ⁸	22,700

Parole Adults (under local jurisdiction)⁹

1,044

2003 Veteran Information - Contra Costa County (Total all county)

Total Veterans ¹⁰	73,625
Male	69,077
Female	4,549
Veterans Receiving Compensation and Pension Benefits ¹¹	5,889

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n/a Persons counted as part of the Civilian Labor Force must be at least 16 years old.

Table 5
Workforce Investment Act
Planning Information for Local Workforce Investment Areas

Footnotes and Data Sources

¹The **economically disadvantaged population** is defined by the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) as persons below the federal poverty level or below 70% of the Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL).

ETA provided these data from a custom tabulation generated by the U. S. Bureau of Census. Totals may not match other data from the same source. Further information can be accessed through the following Web sites:

ETA: www.doleta.gov

Census Bureau: www.census.gov

²**Poverty Universe:** Poverty status is determined for everyone except people in institutions, such as people in prison or in nursing homes; people in military group quarters; people in college dormitories; and individuals under 15 years old living with non-relatives, such as foster children.

³**Persons below Poverty:** An individual's poverty status is determined by comparing their family income with the federal poverty threshold appropriate for that person's family size and the number of family members under 18 years old. If a person is not living with anyone related by birth, marriage, or adoption, then the person's own income is compared with his or her poverty threshold. The Percent Persons in Poverty is calculated by dividing the Persons below Poverty by the Poverty Universe and multiplying by 100.

⁴**Excluding Military and College:** These data exclude persons who are on active duty in the armed forces and college students on in the labor force.

⁵**Lower Living Standard Income Levels (LLSIL):** The LLSIL is used to determine an individual's eligibility for certain services under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). WIA section 101(24) defines the LLSIL as "that income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban, and rural differences and family size) determined annually by the Secretary of Labor." In a manner similar to the poverty level, an individual's LLSIL status is determined by comparing their income and family size to the published LLSIL levels. For more information, see the ETA Web site at: wdsc.doleta.gov/llsil/.

⁶**Civilian Labor Force** is persons 16 years or older who are "employed," excluding persons in the armed forces, or "unemployed." "Unemployed" are persons who were without a job and are actively looking for a job and were available to start a job.

⁷**Labor Force** in this category refers to civilian labor force, that includes, but is not limited to, the economically disadvantaged. March 2002 Benchmark data. These data are developed by the California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, (916) 262-2162.

⁸**Not in Labor Force** refers to those who are not employed and not actively seeking employment. This category includes, but is not limited to, the economically disadvantaged. Not in labor force data are based on preliminary labor force data (01/2003-12/2003). Department of Finance populations estimates as of January 2003 and working age populations from 1990 Census data.

⁹Data provided by the California Department of Justice, 2002 Criminal Justice Profile. Additional information can be found on-line at: www.caag.state.ca.us.

¹⁰Data provided by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Veteran Population Projections Adjusted to Census 2000 (VetPop2001Adj), September 30, 2003, Washington, D.C.. Located on-line at www.va.gov.

¹¹Data provided by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Statistics for Veterans Receiving Compensation and Pension Benefits, July 15, 2003, Washington, D.C..

Note: Data provided are the most recent available.